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**Sheriffs
Directors, Local Departments of Corrections
Chiefs of Police – Type II Facilities Only
Jail Managers**

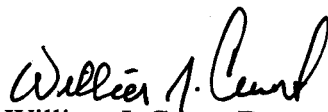
**Subject: Board of Corrections Survey
“Updated” Average Daily Cost to House Inmates in Type II and III Facilities**

The Board of Correction (BOC) conducted a survey regarding average daily costs to house local inmates during calendar year 1999. This survey was conducted in response to numerous requests from State and local decision-makers regarding the average daily costs (ADC) to house inmates in local jails. We are requesting the jail managers update current cost figures by jurisdiction in order to develop a new statewide average. BOC will distribute the results of this survey to all agencies when finalized.

It is anticipated that most agencies will have this ADC available due to budget preparation and/or contracting for bed space. If not, the following method may be helpful in establishing your cost. Using data from FY 2001-2002, divide the average daily population by facility (Type II and III) by your total per facility budget. Costs would include those for staff (including salaries and benefits), food, medical and mental health services, contract maintenance, inmate transportation, capitol, or administrative costs. We are requesting that your agencies submit the average daily cost information for each Type II and III facilities.

Please fax the attached survey sheet to us no later than February 28, 2003. If you have any questions contact Magi Work at (916) 327-3967, mwork@bdcorr.ca.gov or Bob Takeshta at (916) 322-8346, btakeshta@bdcorr.ca.gov. Thank you for your continuing cooperation in response to this timely issue.

Sincerely,



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